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September 24, 2010

Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
Docketing Department  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Wireless Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by TDS Telecommunications Corporation and Allied Wireless Communications Corporation

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission please find one original and one electronic copy of the negotiated Wireless Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecommunications Corporation on behalf of Norway Telephone Company and Williston Telephone Company, and Allied Wireless Communications Corporation. TDS Telecommunications and Allied Wireless respectfully request that the Commission approve this agreement pursuant to 47 USC 252 (e).

Copies have also been provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Lowrance".

Linda Lowrance  
Manager – Carrier Relations

Enclosures – original plus one electronic copy

pc: Office of Regulatory Staff (w/enclosures)  
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**WIRELESS TRAFFIC EXCHANGE AGREEMENT**  
**TDS TELECOM**

This Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement (the "Agreement") is made effective on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010, between the TDS Telecommunications Corporation subsidiary(ies) or affiliate(s) identified on Appendices A-1, A-2 and A-3. (collectively, "TDS TELECOM"), and Allied Wireless Communications Corporation (a Delaware corporation) and its affiliates and subsidiaries, having an office and principal place of business at 1001 Technology Drive, Suite 400, Little Rock, AR 72223 (collectively, "AWCC"). TDS TELECOM and AWCC are each individually a "Party" and are together the "Parties" to this Agreement.

TDS TELECOM is a Local Exchange Carrier in the State(s) of Georgia, Ohio and South Carolina. AWCC is a Commercial Mobile Radio Service carrier licensed by the FCC to operate in the State(s) of Georgia, Ohio and South Carolina. TDS TELECOM and AWCC desire to interconnect their networks for the purpose of exchanging traffic between their customers. Services provided by TDS TELECOM to AWCC under this Agreement are provided pursuant to AWCC's role as a CMRS provider.

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, the Parties agree as follows.

SECTION I  
DEFINITIONS

1. "Act" means the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 151 et. seq.), as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and as from time to time interpreted in the duly authorized rules and regulations of the FCC or a Commission within its state jurisdiction.
2. "Commercial Mobile Radio Service: ("CMRS") is defined as a mobile service that is provided for profit (*i.e.*, with the intent of receiving compensation or monetary gain), is an interconnected service, and is available to the public, or to such classes of eligible users as to be effectively available to a substantial portion of the public, or the functional equivalent of such a mobile service.
3. "Commission" is the Public Service Commission or Public Utilities Commission of the state(s) where AWCC and TDS have agreed to interconnect.
4. "FCC" is the Federal Communications Commission.
5. "Interconnection" is as described in the Act and refers to the connection of separate pieces of equipment, facilities, or platforms between networks for the purpose of transmission and routing of telephone exchange service traffic and exchange access traffic.

6. "Interexchange Carrier" or ("IXC") means a carrier that provides or carries, directly or indirectly, InterLATA service or IntraLATA Toll Traffic. IXC does not include CMRS carriers as herein defined.
7. "Intermediary Traffic" is traffic that is delivered to or from a third-party Local Exchange Carrier or other telecommunications carrier such as a CMRS provider, through the network of TDS TELECOM from or to an end user of AWCC
8. "InterLATA Service" means telecommunications between a point located in a local access and transport area and a point located outside such area.
9. "IntraLATA Toll Traffic" means those intraLATA station calls that are outside of the local or EAS calling area as defined in the applicable TDS TELECOM tariff.
10. "Local Access and Transport Area" or ("LATA") as described in the Act denotes a geographical area established for the provision and administration of communications services. It encompasses one or more designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.
11. "Local Exchange Carrier" or ("LEC") means any entity that is engaged in the provision of telephone exchange service or exchange access. Such term does not include an entity insofar as such entity is engaged in the provision of a commercial mobile service under Section 332(c) of the Act, except to the extent that the FCC finds that such service should be included in the definition of such term.
12. "Local Traffic" for inter-carrier compensation purposes, means Wireless to Wireline and Wireline to Wireless calls which originate and terminate within the same MTA based on the location of the cell site serving the wireless subscriber at the beginning of the call and the central office serving the landline end-user.
13. "Major Trading Area" or ("MTA") means the service areas based on the Rand McNally 1992 Commercial Atlas & Marketing Guide, 123<sup>rd</sup> edition, at pages 38-39. 47 C.F.R. §24.202(a).
14. "Mobile Switching Center" or ("MSC") is a switching facility that performs the switching for the routing of calls among its mobile subscribers and subscribers in other mobile or landline networks. The MSC is used to connect and switch trunk circuits within the wireless network and between the wireless network and the public switched network for wireless traffic by a CMRS provider.
15. "Non-Local Traffic" for inter-carrier compensation purposes means the completion of interMTA calls based on the location of the AWCC subscriber or roamer on the AWCC network and the TDS TELECOM landline end-user.
16. "Point of Connection" or ("POC") is a physical location where AWCC is interconnected with TDS TELECOM.

17. "Rate Center" as defined by the North American Numbering Counsel (NANC) and used in this Agreement means an area that uses a common surrogate call origination or call termination point when determining point-to-point local or toll calling charges.
18. "Telecommunications Carrier" means any provider of telecommunications services as defined in the Act.
19. "Wireless" is telecommunications services provided by a CMRS carrier in accordance with its CMRS license(s).
20. "Wireline" is telecommunications services provided by TDS TELECOM or other Non-CMRS Telecommunications Carrier.

## SECTION II SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement sets forth the terms, conditions and prices under which the Parties agree to provide Interconnection for use by AWCC only in association with CMRS services and compensation for the exchange of traffic between TDS TELECOM and AWCC for the purpose of offering telecommunications services. The Interconnection and compensation covered by this Agreement applies only to the exchange of traffic between AWCC subscribers and roamers on the AWCC network and TDS TELECOM end-users associated with the provision of two-way services. The Wireless Interconnection arrangements described herein will not be used by AWCC to terminate other types of traffic on TDS TELECOM's network. Other Interconnection arrangements are covered by separate contract, tariff or price lists.

Execution of this Agreement does not waive or prejudice any positions either Party has taken previously or may take in the future in any legislative, regulatory, or other public forum addressing any matters, including matters specifically related to, the types of arrangements prescribed in this Agreement.

## SECTION III INTERCONNECTION

### Direct Interconnection:

1. Depending upon AWCC's needs and the technical capability and location of TDS TELECOM's switches, various Wireless Interconnections and services arrangements are possible. Wireless Interconnection and service arrangements are described in Bellcore GR-145-CORE and Telcordia Notes on the Networks, SR-2275.
2. Type 2B Interconnection Service provides a trunk-side connection between a TDS TELECOM end-office and a CMRS provider's Point of Connection. It is used for the exchange of Local Traffic. In the States of Ohio and South Carolina, no

Intermediary Traffic will be exchanged through the Type 2B connection. Type 2B Interconnection Service provides access to the TDS TELECOM customers served by the end-office.

3. If Intermediary Traffic originated by AWCC is delivered by TDS TELECOM for termination to the network of a non-party wireless telecommunications carrier ("Non-party Carrier"), then TDS TELECOM shall bill AWCC and AWCC shall pay an Intermediary Transit charge at the rate set forth in Appendix A. AWCC is solely responsible for making arrangements with the Non-party Carrier for the transport and termination by the Non-Party Carrier of AWCC originated Intermediary traffic that transits the TDS TELECOM network. TDS TELECOM shall not be liable for any compensation to the Non-party Carrier or to AWCC for Intermediary traffic.
4. Type 2B interconnection service may be optioned for common channel signaling service using Signaling System 7 ("CCS7") protocols where available and technically feasible for both Parties. Where requested, AWCC and TDS TELECOM agree to interconnect their SS7 (Signaling System 7) networks either directly or through third parties. Such connections shall meet generally accepted industry technical standards. This provision shall not be construed to require either Party to convert its network to SS7. Each Party will bear responsibility for any costs associated with connecting its own SS7 network to a third party signaling provider, as well as for any per unit charges assessed by the third party signaling provider for traffic originated by the Party.
5. Interconnection service is ordered using uniform order request forms. All service requests must be submitted on the TDS TELECOM Wireless Service Request ("WSR") form or other industry standard ordering document.
6. Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, direct interconnecton facilities may be either one-way or two-way facilities. If the Parties utilize direct interconnection, AWCC shall provide its own facilities and transport for the delivery of traffic from its Mobile Switching Center ("MSC") to a mutually acceptable Point of Connection ("POC") on the TDS TELECOM network. Alternatively, AWCC may purchase required facilities from a third party or from TDS TELECOM for the delivery of such traffic. Rates for facilities and transport or other services purchased from TDS TELECOM are specified in TDS TELECOM's applicable Local or Access Tariff. The rate for two-way facilities provided by TDS TELECOM and dedicated to traffic between AWCC and TDS TELECOM will be reduced by a shared facility factor based on the percentages identified in Appendices A-1, A-2 and A-3.
7. The Point(s) of Connection between TDS TELECOM and AWCC are defined in Appendix B, which is incorporated by reference. This Agreement shall not preclude TDS TELECOM and AWCC from entering into additional direct

interconnection arrangements in the future if such arrangements are technically feasible and economically beneficial.

8. Each Party shall construct, equip, maintain, and operate its network in accordance with generally accepted engineering practices for telephone systems and in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations, as amended from time to time, of any regulatory body empowered to regulate any aspect of the facilities contemplated herein.
9. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit either Party's ability to upgrade its network through the incorporation of new equipment, new software, or otherwise. Each Party agrees to provide reasonable notice of changes in the information necessary for the transmittal and routing of services using facilities or networks, as well as other changes that affect the interoperability of those respective facilities or networks; provided, that, neither Party may change the POC without the written consent of the other.
10. Two-way local interconnection trunk group(s) shall be established between the Parties for the exchange of the Local Traffic at the POC. Two-way trunking will be jointly provisioned and maintained. Overflow from either end of the direct local interconnection trunk group may be alternately routed to the appropriate access tandem.

Indirect Interconnection:

1. The Parties agree to terminate each other's Local Traffic that is delivered via a third party transit service provider in accordance with Section IV below.
2. Where the Local Traffic exchanged between AWCC and a specific TDS TELECOM host or end office switch exceeds 300,000 minutes per month for six (6) consecutive months, the Parties shall implement direct trunks to a POC associated with the specific host or end office switch in accordance with the direct interconnection terms above.
3. The Parties have a fundamental disagreement regarding the POC associated with traffic exchanged indirectly and the responsibility for payment of any charges that may be assessed by the third party transiting carrier. It is TDS TELECOM's position that existing federal and state law does not establish an obligation for an incumbent LEC to establish interconnection with other carriers or provide interconnection services at a geographic point outside of its network and thus TDS TELECOM's responsibility for tandem switching and tandem transport charges does not extend beyond TDS TELECOM's service area boundary. It is AWCC's position that AWCC is only responsible for the tandem switching and tandem transport charges for traffic originated on AWCC's network. Notwithstanding, in an effort to reach a compromise agreement, and which shall in no way prejudice any position either Party has taken or may take on this matter with respect to past or future agreements or regulatory or legislative proceedings, the Parties agree not to address this issue in this Agreement. AWCC agrees to pay any third party

tandem switching and tandem transport charges that may be assessed by the tandem operator to deliver mobile-originated traffic to TDS TELECOM. Pursuant to Section XIV, the Parties agree to renegotiate this provision of the Agreement if there is further clarification or change of applicable federal or state law governing obligations of the Parties with respect to traffic exchanged through a third party Tandem Switch. In addition, the Parties agree that a change in (i) the rate currently assessed on either Party by a third party transiting carrier for the delivery of Local Traffic to the other Party or (ii) an increase of twenty percent (20%) or more in traffic exchanged through a third party Tandem Switch that is sustained for six (6) consecutive months shall represent a Material Change. In the event of a Material Change, either Party, by giving written notice to the other Party, may require that the affected provisions of this Agreement be renegotiated in good faith and, if necessary, submitted to the Commission for arbitration.

#### SECTION IV BILLING

1. Each Party shall bill the other for Local Traffic which the billing Party terminates to its own customers and which were originated by the billed Party using the applicable Reciprocal Compensation rates and billing procedures set forth on the attached Appendices A-1, A-2 and A-3, which are incorporated by reference. For originating and terminating Non-Local Traffic, each Party shall pay the other TDS TELECOM's intrastate or interstate, as appropriate, switched network access service rate elements on a per minute of use basis, which are set out in TDS TELECOM's applicable Access Services Tariff as those tariffs may be amended from time to time during the term of this Agreement. Any incidental services (e.g., directory assistance, operator services, etc.) will be billed to CMRS provider at the standard rate for those services. Neither Party shall bill the other Party for Local Traffic more than one (1) year from the time the charges are incurred. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to alter or otherwise affect in any manner the local calling areas offered or the rates charged by either Party to its end-users.
2. Actual traffic measurements in each of the appropriate categories are the preferred method of classifying and billing traffic. However, recognizing that the Parties cannot currently measure incidental Non-Local ("InterMTA") traffic delivered over local interconnection trunk group(s), the Parties agree to use the InterMTA percentages set forth in Appendices A-1, A-2 and A-3 as a surrogate method of classifying and billing traffic. The Parties explicitly recognize that the InterMTA percentage provided in this Agreement is based on the specific network configuration of the two Parties, taking into consideration territory served (e.g., MTA boundaries, LATA boundaries and State boundaries) and traffic routing of the Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if either Party provides to the other a valid InterMTA traffic study or otherwise requests a reexamination of the network configuration of either Party's network, the Parties will use such InterMTA traffic study or reexamination to negotiate in good faith a mutually acceptable revised InterMTA percentage. The Parties agree to cooperate in good faith to amend this Agreement to reflect this revised InterMTA percentage and such revised percentage will be effective upon amendment of this Agreement. Such

studies or reexaminations will be conducted no more frequently than once annually. Except for traffic specifically covered by the InterMTA percentage described above, in no event will either Party seek to terminate Non-Local Traffic, directly or indirectly, in such a fashion as to make the calls appear as Local Traffic for compensation purposes.

3. The billed Party shall pay the billing Party for all charges properly listed on the bill. Such payments are to be received within forty-five (45) days from the effective date of the statement. The billed Party shall pay a late charge on any undisputed charges that have been billed that are greater than forty-five (45) days old. The rate of the late charge shall be the lesser of 1.5% per month or the maximum amount allowed by law. The billed Party shall pay the billing Party the reasonable amount of the billing Party's expenses related to collection of overdue bills, such amounts to include reasonable attorney's fees.

## SECTION V OFFICE CODE TRANSLATIONS

It shall be the responsibility of each Party to program and update its own switches and network systems in accordance with the Local Exchange Routing Guide ("LERG") in order to recognize and route traffic to the other Party's assigned NXX codes at all times. Neither Party shall impose any fees or charges whatsoever on the other Party for such activities, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement.

The Parties shall only assign NPA-NXX codes to Rate Center(s) in which they are authorized to provide service, meaning for AWCC where it has cell sites to serve customers.

## SECTION VI INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

The Parties to this Agreement are independent contractors. Neither Party is an agent, representative, or partner of the other Party. Neither Party shall have the right, power or authority to enter into any agreement for or on behalf of, or incur any obligation or liability of, or to otherwise bind the other Party. This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture, or partnership between the Parties or to impose any partnership obligation or liability upon either Party.

## SECTION VII LIABILITY

### A.

Neither Party nor any of their affiliates shall be liable for any incidental, consequential, or special damages arising from the other Party's use of service provided under this Agreement. Each Party shall indemnify and defend the other Party against any claims or actions arising from the indemnifying Party's use of the service provided under this Agreement, except for damages caused by the sole recklessness of the indemnified Party.



B.

Neither Party makes any warranties, express or implied, for any hardware, software, goods or services provided under this Agreement. All warranties, including those of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are expressly disclaimed and waived.

C.

In any event, each Party's liability for all claims arising under this Agreement, or under the use of the service provided under this Agreement, shall be limited to the amount of the charges billed to the Party making a claim for the month during which the claim arose.

SECTION VIII  
INDEMNIFICATION

Each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") shall indemnify and hold harmless the other Party ("Indemnified Party") from and against any loss, cost, claim, liability, damage expense (including reasonable attorney's fees) to third parties, relating to or arising out of the libel, slander, invasion of privacy, misappropriation of a name or likeness, negligence or willful misconduct by the Indemnifying Party, its employees, agents, or contractors in the performance of this Agreement or the failure of the Indemnifying Party to perform its obligations under this Agreement. In the event said loss, cost, claim, liability, damage or expense to third parties is the result of the fault, in whole or in part, of both Parties to this Agreement, the Parties shall be entitled to indemnification or contribution to the extent permitted by applicable state law governing the apportionment, if any, of said loss, cost, claim, liability, damage or expense. In addition, the Indemnifying Party shall, to the extent of its obligations to indemnify hereunder, defend any action or suit brought by a third party against the Indemnified Party.

The Indemnified Party shall (i) notify the Indemnifying Party promptly in writing of any written claims, lawsuits, or demand by third parties for which the Indemnified Party alleges that the Indemnifying Party is responsible under this Section and (ii) tender the defense of such claim, lawsuit or demand to the Indemnifying Party. The Indemnified Party also shall cooperate in every reasonable manner with the defense or settlement of such claim, demand, or lawsuit. The Indemnifying Party shall keep the Indemnified Party reasonably and timely apprised of the status of the claim, demand or lawsuit. The Indemnified Party shall have the right to retain its own counsel, at its expense, and participate in but not direct the defense.

The Indemnifying Party shall not be liable under this Section for settlements or compromises by the Indemnified Party of any claim, demand, or lawsuit unless the Indemnifying Party has approved the settlement or compromise in advance or unless the defense of the claim, demand, or lawsuit has been tendered to the Indemnifying Party in writing and the Indemnifying Party has failed to promptly undertake the defense.

## SECTION IX FORCE MAJEURE

Neither Party shall be held liable for any delay or failure in performance of any part of this Agreement from any cause beyond its control and without its fault or negligence, such as acts of God, acts of civil or military authority, embargoes, epidemics, war, terrorist acts, riots, insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, floods, power blackouts, or unusually severe weather. In the event of any such excused delay in the performance of a Party's obligation(s) under this Agreement, the due date for the performance of the original obligation(s) shall be extended by a term equal to the time lost by reason of the delay. In the event of such delay, the delaying Party shall perform its obligations at a performance level no less than that which it uses for its own operations.

## SECTION X NON-DISCLOSURE

The Parties agree that it may be necessary to exchange certain confidential information during the term of this Agreement including, without limitation, technical and business plans, technical information, proposals, specifications, drawings, procedures, orders for services, usage information in any form, customer account data and Customer Proprietary Network Information ("CPNI") as that term is defined by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission and similar information ("Confidential Information"). Confidential Information shall include (i) all information delivered in written form and marked "confidential" or "proprietary" or bearing mark of similar import; and (ii) information derived by the Recipient from a Disclosing Party's usage of the Recipient's network. The Confidential Information is deemed proprietary to the Disclosing Party and it shall be protected by the Recipient as the Recipient would protect its own proprietary information. Confidential Information shall not be disclosed or used for any purpose other than to provide service as specified in this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 10, the Disclosing Party shall mean the owner of the Confidential Information, and the Recipient shall mean the Party to whom Confidential Information is disclosed.

Recipient shall have no obligation to safeguard Confidential Information (i) which was in the Recipient's possession free of restriction prior to its receipt from Disclosing Party, (ii) after it becomes publicly known or available through no breach of this Agreement by Recipient, (iii) after it is rightfully acquired by Recipient free of restrictions on the Disclosing Party, or (iv) after it is independently developed by personnel of Recipient to whom the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information had not been previously disclosed. Recipient may disclose Confidential Information if required by law, a court, or governmental agency. Each Party agrees that Disclosing Party would be irreparably injured by a breach of this Agreement by Recipient or its representatives and that Disclosing Party shall be entitled to seek equitable relief, including injunctive relief and specific performance, in the event of any breach of this paragraph. Such remedies shall not be exclusive, but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity.

## SECTION XI TERM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall commence on the effective date stated on the first page, and shall have an initial term of two (2) years provided that either Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement with or without cause on sixty (60) days notice. This Agreement shall renew automatically for successive six (6) month periods, unless terminated as provided above.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, either Party may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, in the event of a default by the other Party, provided that the non-defaulting Party notifies the defaulting Party in writing of the alleged default and the defaulting Party does not cure the alleged default within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the written notice thereof.

## SECTION XII DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any dispute between the Parties regarding the interpretation or enforcement of this Agreement or any of its terms shall be addressed by good faith negotiation between the Parties. To initiate such negotiation, a Party must provide to the other Party written notice of the dispute that includes both a detailed description of the dispute or alleged nonperformance and the name of an individual who will serve as the initiating Party's representative in the negotiation. The other Party shall have ten (10) business days to designate its own representative in the negotiation. The Parties' representatives shall meet at least once within forty-five (45) days after the date of the initiating Party's written notice in an attempt to reach a good faith resolution of the dispute. Upon agreement, the Parties' representatives may utilize other alternative dispute resolution procedures such as private mediation to assist in the negotiations.

If the Parties have been unable to resolve the dispute within sixty (60) days of the date of the initiating Party's written notice, either Party may pursue any remedies available to it under this Agreement, at law, in equity, or otherwise, including but not limited to, instituting an appropriate proceeding before the Commission.

## SECTION XIII THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES

This Agreement is not intended to benefit any person or entity not a party to it and no third party beneficiaries are created by this Agreement.

## SECTION XIV GOVERNING LAW, FORUM, AND VENUE

To the extent not governed by the laws and regulations of the United States, this Agreement shall be governed by the laws and regulations of the State where the services that are the subject of legal or regulatory action are provided, without reference to its conflict of laws principals. In the event of a change in applicable law (including, without limitation, any legislative, regulatory, judicial or other legal action) that materially affects any material term of this Agreement, the rights or obligations of either Party hereunder, or

the ability of either Party to perform any material provision hereof, the Parties shall renegotiate in good faith to modify such affected provisions as may be required or permitted as a result of such legislative, regulatory, judicial or other legal action.

#### SECTION XV ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement incorporates all terms of the agreement between the Parties, and supersedes all prior oral or written agreements, representations, statements, negotiations, understandings, proposals, and undertakings with respect to the subject matter thereof, including but not limited to the Wireless Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecommunications Corporation and Alltel Communications, Inc. for the state of Georgia dated September 15, 2006. This Agreement may not be modified except in writing signed by both Parties. This Agreement is a result of a negotiation between the Parties, and it was jointly drafted by both Parties.

#### SECTION XVII NOTICE

Notices shall be effective when received or within three (3) business days of being sent via first class mail, whichever is sooner, in the case of AWCC to:

Business Name: Allied Wireless Communications Corporation  
Mailing Address: 1001 Technology Drive, Suite 400  
City/State/Zip Code: Little Rock, AR 72223  
Attention: Jeffrey Humiston  
Phone: 501-448-1100

Bills and payments shall be effective when received or within three (3) business days of being sent via first class mail, whichever is sooner, in the case of AWCC to:

Business Name: Allied Wireless Communications Corporation  
Address: 1001 Technology Drive  
City/State/Zip Code: Little Rock, AR 72223  
Attention: Wholesale Cost Management  
Phone: 501-448-1410 - John Bratton

or to such other location as AWCC may direct in writing.

Notices shall be effective when received or within three (3) business days of being sent via first class mail, whichever is sooner, in the case of TDS TELECOM to:

Business Name: TDS Telecommunications Corporation  
Mailing Address: P. O. Box 22995  
Shipping Address: 10025 Investment Drive, Suite 200  
City/State/Zip Code: Knoxville, TN 37933-0995 (37932 for Shipping)

Attention: Carrier Relations  
Contact Phone Number: (865) 966-4700

With a copy to:

Business Name: TDS Telecom  
Mailing Address: P. O. Box 5366  
City/State/Zip Code: Madison, WI 53705-0366  
Attention: Corporate and Regulatory Counsel

Bills shall be effective when received or within three (3) business days of being sent via first class mail, whichever is sooner, in the case of TDS TELECOM to:

Business Name: TDS Telecommunications Corporation  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5158  
City/State/Zip Code: Madison, WI 53705-0158  
Attention: Recip Comp Verification  
----- OR -----  
email: invoiceverification@tdstelecom.com

or to such other location as the receiving Party may direct in writing. Payments are to be sent to the address on the invoice.

AWCC shall ensure bills and payments reference the specific TDS TELECOM company name(s) for which traffic is being billed or paid.

#### SECTION XVII ASSIGNMENT

Either Party may assign this Agreement upon the written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no consent shall be required for the assignment of this Agreement in the context of the sale of all or substantially all of the assets or stocks of either of the Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either Party may assign this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder to an affiliate of such Party without the consent of the other Party.

#### SECTION XVIII BUSINESS RECORDS

Each Party is responsible for the accuracy of its data as submitted to the other Party. Upon reasonable written notice, each Party or its authorized representative shall have the right to conduct a review of the relevant data possessed by the other Party to assure compliance with the provisions of this Agreement. The review will consist of any examination and verification of data involving records, systems, procedures and other information related to the services performed by either Party as it relates to charges or payments made in connection with this Agreement. Each Party's right to access information for a verification review purposes is limited to data not in excess of twenty-four (24) months old. The Party requesting a verification review shall fully bear its own costs associated with conducting a review. The Party being reviewed will provide

reasonable access to necessary and applicable information during normal business hours at no charge to the reviewing Party.

## SECTION XIX

### FOREIGN-BASED SERVICES

TDS TELECOM represents, warrants, and covenants that no service performed by TDS TELECOM pursuant to this Agreement shall be provided, directed, controlled, supervised, or managed, and no data or AWCC customer communication (voice or data) relating to any such service shall be stored or transmitted, at, in, or through, a site located outside of the United States without the advance written consent of AWCC.

## SECTION XX

### MISCELLANEOUS

This Agreement is not an interconnection agreement under 47 USC 251(c). The Parties acknowledge that TDS TELECOM may be entitled to a rural exemption as provided by 47 USC 251(f) and TDS TELECOM does not waive such exemption.

**TDS Telecommunications Corporation** (not individually but as agent for the TDS TELECOM affiliates identified on Appendices A-1, A-2 and A-3)

Katherine S. Barseghian 9/9/10  
Signature (Date)

Printed name and title:

Katherine S. Barnekow

## Director - Carrier Relations

**By: Allied Wireless Communications Corporation**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ 8/18/10  
(Date)

Printed name and title:

Ken Borner

## Vice President Engineering and Operations

Signature Page to Wireless Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecommunications Corp. (GA Cos., OH Cos. Or SC Cos., as appropriate) and Allied Wireless Communications Corporation dated the 20th day of April, 2010, relating to the exchange of Local Traffic.

## **APPENDIX A-1**

### **State of Georgia**

#### **Reciprocal Compensation Rates and Billing Procedures**

The Parties shall reciprocally and symmetrically compensate one another for the transport and termination of Local Traffic terminated to their respective customers at the rates set forth below:

##### **Reciprocal Compensation Rates**

Transport and Termination:	<u>\$/MOU</u>
Quincy Telephone Company	\$.01250
Camden Telephone and Telegraph, Inc.	\$.01500
<u>InterMTA Percentage</u>	0%
<u>Intermediary Rate:</u>	\$.0025

For Direct Interconnection, the Parties will bill based on actual usage.

For Indirect Interconnection, TDS TELECOM shall obtain a monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator summarizing traffic originated by AWCC and terminating to TDS TELECOM. This report information shall be used by TDS TELECOM for billing AWCC for traffic terminating to TDS TELECOM. AWCC may obtain a monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator summarizing traffic originated by TDS TELECOM and terminated to AWCC. This report information may be used by AWCC for invoicing TDS TELECOM for terminating traffic to AWCC.

If AWCC elects not or is unable to order a traffic report from the tandem operator, the Parties agree to the following principles for billing terminating usage to one another:

1. TDS TELECOM shall bill for 100% of the traffic originated by AWCC and terminated to TDS TELECOM.
2. AWCC shall calculate estimated TDS TELECOM terminating traffic to AWCC using the following formula: AWCC shall bill TDS TELECOM based on the MOUs in 1. above, divided by 0.70 (seventy percent). The total of the calculation shall then be multiplied by 0.30 (thirty percent) to determine the traffic originated by TDS TELECOM and terminated to AWCC.

The Parties agree to accept the monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator as an accurate statement of traffic exchanged between the Parties. Either Party may elect to measure actual terminating local traffic through its own recording equipment and utilize these measurements in place of the traffic distribution reports from the tandem operator.

In the event of unrecoverable data loss or errors in usage recording, the Parties agree to pay bills rendered based on estimated usage calculated as an average of the preceding three (3) months' bills where actual billing data was available.

## **APPENDIX A-2**

### **State of Ohio**

#### **Reciprocal Compensation Rates and Billing Procedures**

The Parties shall reciprocally and symmetrically compensate one another for the transport and termination of Local Traffic terminated to their respective customers at the rates set forth below:

##### **Reciprocal Compensation Rates**

Transport and Termination:	<u>\$/MOU</u>
Arcadia Telephone Company	\$0.014561
Continental Telephone Company	\$0.012645
The Vanlue Telephone Company	\$0.01500
<u>InterMTA Percentage</u>	0%

For Direct Interconnection, the Parties will bill based on actual usage.

For Indirect Interconnection, TDS TELECOM shall obtain a monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator summarizing traffic originated by AWCC and terminating to TDS TELECOM. This report information shall be used by TDS TELECOM for billing AWCC for traffic terminating to TDS TELECOM. AWCC may obtain a monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator summarizing traffic originated by TDS TELECOM and terminated to AWCC. This report information may be used by AWCC for invoicing TDS TELECOM for terminating traffic to AWCC.

If AWCC elects not or is unable to order a traffic report from the tandem operator, the Parties agree to the following principles for billing terminating usage to one another:

1. TDS TELECOM shall bill for 100% of the traffic originated by AWCC and terminated to TDS TELECOM.
2. AWCC shall calculate estimated TDS TELECOM terminating traffic to AWCC using the following formula: AWCC shall bill TDS TELECOM based on the MOUs in 1. above, divided by 0.70 (seventy percent). The total of the calculation shall then be multiplied by 0.30 (thirty percent) to determine the traffic originated by TDS TELECOM and terminated to AWCC.

The Parties agree to accept the monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator as an accurate statement of traffic exchanged between the Parties. Either Party may elect to measure actual terminating local traffic through its own recording equipment and utilize these measurements in place of the traffic distribution reports from the tandem operator.

In the event of unrecoverable data loss or errors in usage recording, the Parties agree to pay bills rendered based on estimated usage calculated as an average of the preceding three (3) months' bills where actual billing data was available.



## **APPENDIX A-3**

### **State of South Carolina** **Reciprocal Compensation Rates and Billing Procedures**

The Parties shall reciprocally and symmetrically compensate one another for the transport and termination of Local Traffic terminated to their respective customers at the rates set forth below:

#### **Reciprocal Compensation Rates**

Transport and Termination:	<u>\$/MOU</u>
Norway Telephone Company	\$0.015
Williston Telephone Company	\$0.015
<u>InterMTA Percentage</u>	0%

For Direct Interconnection, the Parties will bill based on actual usage.

For Indirect Interconnection, TDS TELECOM shall obtain a monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator summarizing traffic originated by AWCC and terminating to TDS TELECOM. This report information shall be used by TDS TELECOM for billing AWCC for traffic terminating to TDS TELECOM. AWCC may obtain a monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator summarizing traffic originated by TDS TELECOM and terminated to AWCC. This report information may be used by AWCC for invoicing TDS TELECOM for terminating traffic to AWCC.

If AWCC elects not or is unable to order a traffic report from the tandem operator, the Parties agree to the following principles for billing terminating usage to one another:

1. TDS TELECOM shall bill for 100% of the traffic originated by AWCC and terminated to TDS TELECOM.
2. AWCC shall calculate estimated TDS TELECOM terminating traffic to AWCC using the following formula: AWCC shall bill TDS TELECOM based on the MOUs in 1. above, divided by 0.70 (seventy percent). The total of the calculation shall then be multiplied by 0.30 (thirty percent) to determine the traffic originated by TDS TELECOM and terminated to AWCC.

The Parties agree to accept the monthly traffic distribution report from the tandem operator as an accurate statement of traffic exchanged between the Parties. Either Party may elect to measure actual terminating local traffic through its own recording equipment and utilize these measurements in place of the traffic distribution reports from the tandem operator.

In the event of unrecoverable data loss or errors in usage recording, the Parties agree to pay bills rendered based on estimated usage calculated as an average of the preceding three (3) months' bills where actual billing data was available.

**Appendix B**  
**Point(s) of Connection**

1. The Point of Connection for Local Traffic to and from the St. Mary's exchange of TDS TELECOM in Georgia shall be at the St. Mary's end office (STMYGAXADS1).
2. For the State of Ohio, there will be no direct interconnection at this time.
3. For the State of South Carolina, there will be no direct interconnection at this time.